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CLAIMS

What is claimed is:

1. A method of generating at least three local oscillator signals for receiving a communication signal occupying corresponding sub-bands of a frequency band, the method comprising: generating at least a first local oscillator signal directly using frequency synthesis; and generating at least a second local oscillator signal by mixing the first local oscillator signal and a further frequency signal.

- 2. The method of claim 1, wherein the further frequency signal comprises an offset frequency separating adjacent sub-bands or an integer multiple thereof.
- 3. The method of claim 2, wherein the further frequency signal comprises an offset frequency separating adjacent sub-bands, further comprising generating at least a third local oscillator signal by mixing the first local oscillator signal and a further frequency signal that is an integer multiple of the offset frequency.
- 4. The method of claim 2, wherein the further frequency signal comprises a selectable integer multiple of an offset frequency separating adjacent sub-bands.
- 5. The method of claim 2, comprising generating three local oscillator signals for three contiguous sub-bands, wherein the first local oscillator signal corresponds to a center sub-band of the three sub-bands.
- 6. The method of claim 1, comprising: generating first and third local oscillator signals directly using frequency synthesis; and generating the second local oscillator signal by mixing signals derived from the first and third local oscillator signals.
- 7. Circuitry for generating at least three local oscillator signals for receiving a communication signal occupying corresponding sub-bands of a frequency band, comprising: means for synthesizing a first local oscillator frequency; and a single sideband mixer responsive to the first local oscillator frequency and to a further frequency signal for generating at least a second local oscillator signal.
- 8. The circuitry of claim 7, wherein the further frequency signal comprises an offset frequency separating adjacent sub-bands or an integer multiple thereof.
- 9. The circuitry of claim 8, wherein the further frequency signal comprises an offset frequency separating adjacent sub-bands, comprising a further single sideband mixer for generating at least a third local oscillator signal by mixing the first local oscillator signal and a further frequency signal that is an integer multiple of the offset frequency.

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10. The circuitry of claim 8, comprising a programmable divider for generating as the further frequency signal a selectable integer multiple of an offset frequency separating adjacent sub-bands.

- 11. The circuitry of claim 8, wherein the three local oscillator signals are for three contiguous sub-bands, and wherein the first local oscillator signal corresponds to a center sub-band of the three sub-bands.
- 12. The circuitry of claim 7, comprising means for synthesizing a third local oscillator frequency, wherein the single sideband mixer mixes signals derived from the first and third local oscillator signals.